



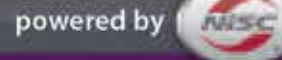
# The Center of Member Engagement

## Oakdale Electric is upgrading our e-bill site!

Beginning in June, you'll notice a new look when you pay your bill online. SmartHub delivers powerful new tools for paying your bill and managing your energy usage online - at home or on the fly!

### WITH SmartHub YOU CAN:

- Pay your bill
- Check your usage
- Manage your account
- Set up recurring & stored payments.
- Communicate directly with the cooperative
- And more!



As Oakdale Electric transitions away from Bill4U to SmartHub, please be aware of the following dates:

- May 25, 2017: Final day to make an online payment through Bill4U.
- June 7, 2017: First day to sign up for SmartHub.
- June 23, 2017: Final day to view and/or print past bill statements from Bill4U.

Contact Oakdale Electric at 1.800.241.2468 with any questions.

With SmartHub, the power of data is in your hands through convenient account management and detailed usage information. SmartHub, a mobile and Web app, delivers accurate, timely account information and allows you to make payments in a secure environment with the touch of a button, right from your mobile device or on your PC. The two-way communication available with SmartHub allows you to notify us of account and service issues while providing us a way to let you know about special offers, programs, events and more.

**Download the FREE app today for secure account management right at your fingertips.**



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Oakdale Electric Cooperative's  
**COMMUNITY SOLAR GARDEN**  
is expected to be operational in June!



*Solar subscriptions  
are still available!*

Contact our office to learn how you can  
become involved in this exciting new  
renewable energy program!

Please contact our office at 608-372-4131  
for more information.



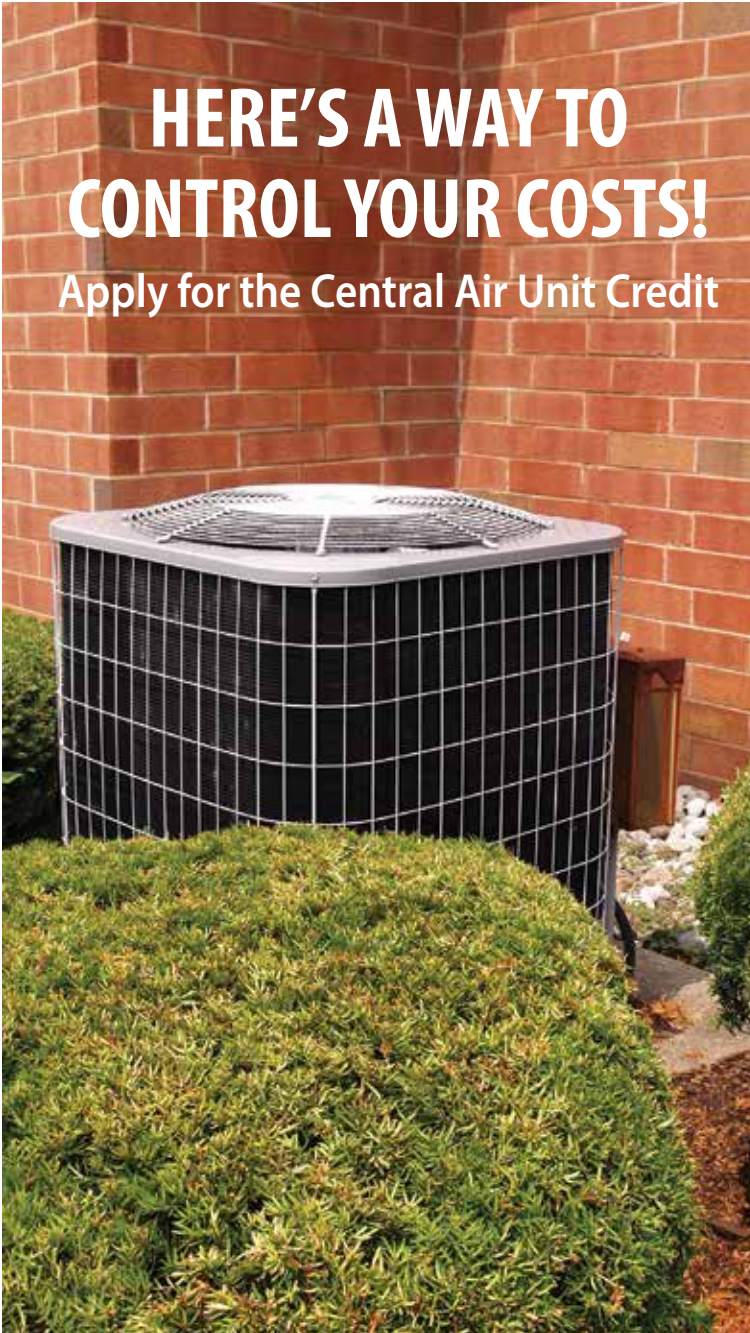
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# HERE'S A WAY TO CONTROL YOUR COSTS!

## Apply for the Central Air Unit Credit



The central air conditioner at your home may be shut off during peak periods of electrical demand via a radio signal emitted from Dairyland Power Cooperative in La Crosse. During those peak periods, your air conditioner may be cycled, 15 minutes on – 15 minutes off, in an effort to lower electrical demand.

The load management equipment installed is not a time clock and control does not occur on a daily basis—only during peak demand periods.

- There is no charge for the load management hardware.
- A \$8 credit will be applied during the months of June, July, and August.
- The credit begins after the load management equipment is installed.

### Availability

Available under established rules and regulations for service to central air conditioners of cooperative members subject to the following:

- The air conditioner must be a central system and not a window unit, wall unit, or mini-split system.
- Usage pattern must be such that the load can be cycled, 15 minutes on – 15 minutes off, during peak demand periods.
- Cooperative personnel will be given access to the load management equipment for maintenance and inspection purposes.
- A monthly credit will be paid during the billing months of June, July, and August, when energy usage is 400 kWhs or higher.
- Necessary load management equipment will be installed and maintained by a representative of the cooperative.



### Energy Efficiency Tip of the Month

Periodically inspect your dryer vent to ensure it is not blocked. This will save energy and may prevent a fire. Manufacturers recommend using rigid venting material – not plastic vents that may collapse and cause blockages. #energyefficiency

Source: U.S. Department of Energy



# 2017 MEMBER PHOTO CONTEST

*"Life in Rural Wisconsin"*

Oakdale Electric Cooperative is holding our annual photo contest for members' photos to be featured in our 2018 calendar. Winning photos may be used in future newsletters or cooperative publications.



## Photo Contest Criteria:

- Photos must be taken within the Oakdale Electric Cooperative service area.
- Photos should capture life in rural Wisconsin (seasons, wildlife, landscape, people, etc.).
- Photos must have a horizontal (landscape) orientation.
- Photos can be in color or black and white.
- **Only high-resolution photos can be used. Photos must be at least 300 dpi.**

## Photo Contest Rules and Details:

- Contest will run from February 1, 2017 until August 25, 2017; however, submitted photos can be taken outside of this date range.
- Three (3) photos per member will be accepted.
- All Oakdale Electric Cooperative members 18 years old and over are eligible to submit photos.
- An Oakdale Electric Cooperative member under the age of 18 years old is eligible to participate, but must submit a parent/guardian form with entry.
- **A completed entry form must accompany each photo.**
- Member must own rights to photo.
- OEC employees will determine the winning photos.

## Photo Contest Entry Options:

- **Upload** using the Photo Contest Entry Form, found on [www.oakdalerec.com](http://www.oakdalerec.com), under the News & Community page
- **Mail** to P.O. Box 40, Oakdale, WI, 54649. (photo(s) must be 8"x10" in size, and 300 dpi)
- **Drop off** at Oakdale Electric Cooperative Office --489 N. Oakwood St., Tomah. (photo(s) must be 8"x10" in size, and 300 dpi)


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Toll-free Online Bill Payment 866-392-4307

Diggers Hotline: For underground cable locates and power line clearance information, call 800-242-8511.